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Mr. Allen Dulles
2430 E. Street, N. W.
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

The incident which took place some days ago over Hokaido, Japan in which a B-29 was lost is typical of what I had in mind when I dispatched the recent confidential memorandum to you. If our "ball team" were now in existence, we might be able to take measures which would:

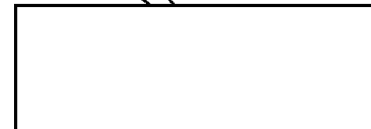
- (a) Offset the psychological effect domestically of the attack on our aircraft.
- (b) Satisfy the demands of the Senate to "do something".
- (c) Assist the Department of State without embarrassing them.

I believe firmly in the future role of such a quietly effective equalizer.

With best regards.

Sincerely,

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